

WORKING ON ITS NEW DEPOT

Definite Statements as to the Plans Have Not Yet Been Given Out.

BURLINGTON BEGINS ACTIVE OPERATIONS

Large Force of Men Employed in Excavating for the Foundation Walls—Plans Have Now Arrived.

Work on the Burlington new depot was commenced in earnest this morning. Hereafter all the work done on the site of the new structure has been entirely preliminary. Old buildings have been moved or torn down, and a great deal of ground leveled off. But today work on the building proper commenced.

The working plans for the foundation were received from the hands of the architect two days ago, and arrangements were at once made for the excavations. Yesterday a gang of twenty-five men were put to work excavating the trenches for the foundation walls. The engineers located the lines for the south walls Thursday afternoon, and the men with picks and shovels attacked that part of the work yesterday. The lines already marked by the engineers indicate a structure of somewhat imposing dimensions. The new structure will occupy the ground west of the old wooden sheds which have furnished temporary facilities for so many years, the west end of the new depot coming up to the Tenth street viaduct. The south wall will come directly beneath the old wooden driveway, which, until recently, furnished the public means of egress from the grounds to the viaduct.

The dimensions of the new depot cannot yet be stated, as the lines are not yet fully marked, and the engineers yesterday were non-committal, but the work already marked out indicates a structure at least 300 feet in length. The excavations also indicate an unusually heavy foundation.

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ACCIDENTS AT DIDAM FUNERAL

Man Falls in a Fit and a Woman Breaks an Arm.

John Didam died two days ago as a result of an operation that was performed on his head. After the death it was decided to send the body to Hartington, Neb., for burial. Yesterday the remains were conducted to the Webster street depot, and an escort of several secret societies of which the deceased had been a member. Fred Kelley, who was driving the pall bearers' carriage at the head of the procession, was the direct cause of a commotion, but the circumstances would not warrant any one in attaching any blame to him. He was about to lead the procession from Poppleton avenue upon Twentieth street when he fell from his seat in a fit and stretched out stiff upon the pavement. This unexpected happening promptly brought the procession to a stop and threw it into considerable confusion. The fall was also witnessed by a crowd of spectators who had been attracted by the coming of the funeral procession. These rushed into the street about the prostrate man, and naturally other people rushed from houses and shops to augment the crowd. The street was shortly filled with people.

Among those who wanted to get a close view of the fallen man was Mrs. Latinsky, an Italian woman, 45 years of age. She was so anxious to get close up that she was not careful to see where she ran. As a consequence she stumbled, fell and uttered a loud shriek. Some of the people ran to her assistance and found that her arm had been fractured. The woman was removed to her home on the Italian settlement near by and a physician was summoned. In the meanwhile Officer Curry had reached the scene and he picked up the man and carried him to the vacant lot near by. He gradually recovered, but had not yet regained his voice when he was bundled into a carriage and was taken to his home at the Doran house, where medical assistance was summoned. After the injured had been put away another driver was secured for the pall bearers' carriage and the funeral procession again fell in line. It proceeded without further incident and safely arrived at the depot.

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Knee Pant Suits—ages 3 to 8—in Junior, Reefer, Brownie, Yorkshire and Sailor styles—made of fine all wool materials in the newest, prettiest and choicest patterns you can pay \$5 and \$6 for no better—Your choice Saturday..... 250 and 275

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Knee Pant Suits—made of fine all wool chevots, cassimeres, tweeds and homespuns—in rich brown and gray overblends and handsome mixtures—very dainty effects—finished collars—the \$5.00 Suits—Saturday's choice..... 275

Knee Pant Suits—ages 7 to 15—made of pure all wool fabrics and in seven different patterns of gray and brown plaids and mixtures—extra well made and finished—regularly sold for \$4.00—this Saturday at the Continental..... 200

Boys' Reefer Shapes—in all ages 4 to 8 years—made of handsome gray mixed chevot—thoroughly well made and trimmed—at 95c—the same thing in ages 8 to 14, for \$1.25 But ages 4 to 8 Saturday..... 95c

Long Pant Suits—ages 14 to 19 made of fine all wool chevots, tweeds and cassimeres—also plain blues and blacks—suits that look as well as wear as well as the best \$8.00 and \$10.00—Suits elsewhere—\$8.00 and..... 495

Long Pant Suits—ages 14 to 19 fine all wool chevots—fancy plaids and stripes and mixtures—neat dressy cassimeres and plain black and blue worsteds—well lined and trimmed—\$10.00 elsewhere—Saturday..... 675

Long Pant Suits—ages 14 to 20—very fine—the finest and choicest wools to be had in plain black and blue chevots and the newest and nobbiest overblends and mixtures—equal in every respect to suits sold at twice as much—Saturday's choice..... 700

Reefer and Sailor Suits—ages 3 to 10 years—made of fine all wool materials—light and dark mixed checks, plaids and mixtures—handsomely braided trimmed—finished first class—really worth \$4.50—your choice—Saturday..... 275

Men's Spring Suits—Handsome cassimeres and chevots, in brown and gray mixed patterns, latest correct styles, extra well made, sewed with silk throughout and guaranteed to fit perfectly—\$10.00 values—Saturday..... 650

Men's Spring Suits—In very handsome designs in light and dark brown plaid chevots, excellently made and trimmed—cut in very latest styles, every suit a big bargain—choice Saturday..... 800

Men's Spring Suits—A magnificent array of stylish suits—best products of America's best woolen mills, strictly all wool brown and bronze overblends and checks—other stores ask \$14.00—Saturday your choice..... 1000

Men's Spring Suits—In nobby but brown plaid and check worsteds and chevots and in the finest black and blue imported chevots—made and lined in the best possible manner \$15 anywhere else, Saturday your choice..... 1200

Men's Spring Suits—In the very handsomest new style suit—brown plaid and check worsteds and chevots—made with the very latest style pants—with medium or narrow legs—vests with or without collars—positively worth \$18.00—Saturday, choice..... 1400

Men's Stylish Spring Overcoats—Made of best domestic covert cloth—in latest box styles—strapped seams and French facing—light and dark shades—can't be equalled for \$10.00—here..... 750

Men's Derby and Fedora Hats—in black, brown and all other popular colors—in the latest and nobbiest shapes—made of best felt fur stock—your surely have to pay up to \$3.00 for their like—our price..... 150

Men's Stylish Spring Overcoats—In all the new and desirable colors—in covert cloths—in regular lengths as well as the fashionable box styles—highly well finished to equal \$15.00 coats..... 950

Men's Stylish Spring Overcoats—Made of finest imported covert cloths—also some genuine English whip cords—the latest styles—with strapped seams—every one worth \$20—Saturday's price..... 1500

Boys' and Girls' Spring Caps—all sizes—in bicycle, golf, yacht and Tam O'Shanter styles—made of pure all wool chevots and cassimeres—choice plaids and mixed patterns—\$1.00 value for..... 50c

SHE TURNS AGAINST HER SON

Mistreated Because She Would Not Overlook Immoral Proceedings.

Mrs. Dailey invokes police court aid after being thrown out of her home, a mother secures a warrant for the arrest of her offspring.

Mrs. Dailey, an old colored woman, yesterday swore to a complaint against her son, William R. Harrington. She alleges that he has been living with Jessie Stratton without having gone through the formality of having entered into a marriage contract.

His prosecution is the culmination of considerable trouble that has existed for some time past between the mother and son. Harrington is 30 years of age. Mrs. Dailey alleges that he brought the girl to her home about four weeks ago and when she objected she was thrown bodily out of the house with her possessions. She says that her son and the woman have lived together since that time and that the son has failed to contribute anything to her support.

Mrs. Dailey alleges that after being dispossessed of her home she tried to support herself by taking in washing. She had, however, secured the custody of the Stratton girl and as a result she states that the latter secured the assistance of some of her feminine friends to ruin her business. A few days ago Mrs. Dailey caused the arrest of her young son on the charge of disturbing the peace, she asserting that they raised a racket about her house whenever any of her white customers brought her washing. This case was tried in police court Thursday afternoon and resulted in a dismissal. The couple were arrested last evening.

Caught Stealing the Eggs. A desire to acquire eggs was responsible for the arrest of 9-year-old Edgar Beebe of 2623 St. Mary's avenue yesterday. He was engaged in fishing eggs out of the nests in the chicken coop on the premises of Will Townsend at 2523 St. Mary's avenue when he was caught in the act. The coop door was closed and nailed and the police patrol summoned. With the assistance of a couple of crowbars the lad was released from the

provided prison and taken to the city jail. He is charged with petty larceny.

WARRANT FOR RUANE'S ARREST. Bussey Gets Much the Worst of a Squabble.

Richard Bussey, a colored man, appeared in police court yesterday with a bandaged head to obtain a warrant for the arrest of Pat Ruane, bartender in the saloon at Tenth and Davenport, on the charge of felonious assault.

Bussey lives in the neighborhood of the saloon. Last night he went there after a "growler" of beer, and upon his return home found that he had been given a counterfeit 10-cent piece in change. He returned with the bad money and insisted that he got it in the saloon. He says that he was set upon by a crowd and severely handled. He particularly accuses Ruane of a hand in the affair. He says he hit him over the head with a chair. As a result of the row Bussey had a badly discolored eye.

Fractures the Curfew Ordinance. Frank Sebring, a 13-year-old boy who lives at 815 South Twenty-fifth street, was arrested Thursday night for the second time on the charge of violating the curfew ordinance. He was picked up on the street at a late hour. His parents were notified, but would not come after him. The police intend to prosecute him on the charge of incorrigibility. This power is given them in cases where parents or guardians of children found on the street after the prescribed hours will not agree in the future to restrain the offenders.

Breaks a Baker's Window. The watchman in the bakery at 309 North Sixteenth street was awakened at 4 o'clock yesterday morning by the shattering of a glass in one of the front windows. When he rushed out no one was in sight. It is believed that an attempt had been made by burglars to break into the place, but that the crooks were frightened away.

New Method of Proving Claims. One of the provisions of the new charter is productive of considerable perplexity to people who have business with the city. The charter provides that all claims except those for salaries and interest on the bonded debt must be filed with the city clerk, instead of with the various departments, as heretofore. The individual who has a claim against the city must first take it to the department from which the claim is due. If he is dissatisfied with the result, he must then file it with the city clerk, together with his affidavit that the claim is correct. He can furnish his own affidavit, or he can swear to the accuracy of the account at the clerk's office.

DESERTED BY THEIR MOTHERS. Two Babies Occupy the Attention of the Police.

A couple of babies occupied a portion of the attention of the police authorities yesterday. The case of the little colored child left on the steps of the Sacred Heart convent a few nights ago was the most prominent. It was learned that the baby is the illegitimate offspring of Cora Reese, a daughter of a colored minister who lives on South Main street, in Council Bluffs. The father is at present unknown, but he is supposed to be a man employed in South Omaha.

According to the evidence the police have in their possession, the child was born on April 4. The girl's parents became angered at the presence of the little one, and thereupon she was brought to this city. Her brother informed a Mrs. McGovern of Thirtieth street and Avenue C, Council Bluffs, that his sister had left the child at the home of the Friends, but the girl later informed the same woman that she had left it on the steps of some Omaha convent.

The last state legislature passed a law making the abandonment of children a serious offense. The penalty is a fine of \$100 or imprisonment not to exceed six months in the county jail. The authorities are this afternoon considering the advisability of prosecuting the girl. The child is at present at the Christian Home, Council Bluffs, where it was placed by Police Matron Bennett.

The other child was almost thrust upon the police by Mrs. S. A. Morton of 3316 Larimore street yesterday. The baby was left at Mrs. Morton's house four weeks ago by a girl giving the name of Lake and her real name as Thirtieth and Farnam streets. The stranger paid a week's board for the child, but has not appeared since. Mrs. Morton took the baby to the address given, but failed to locate the girl. She then took the child to the office of the county commissioners, where it was refused, and finally conveyed it to the police station. The police have learned that the child is the offspring of a girl residing in South Omaha. Mrs. Morton was given her address and she left with the statement that she intended to take the baby there.

Pardoned by the Acting Mayor. The first official act of Acting Mayor Bingham was to order a workman released from the chain gang to which he had been condemned for sending out after a can of beer after his day's work was done. The man works every day at the Union Pacific shops, but in some way or another he had fallen under the displeasure of the police and was sentenced to ten days on the streets for the offense named. If he had been compelled to serve out his sentence he would have lost his position, but after a thorough investigation, Mayor Bingham decided that it was a case in which executive clemency

was desirable, and the prisoner was allowed to go back to work.

INCREASED PAY FOR FIREMEN. Warrants for Extra Compensation During Last Half of March.

The firemen of the lower grades who have been drawing \$55 and \$60 a month will have occasion for rejoicing when they draw their April warrants. Under the provisions of the new charter their pay is increased to \$65 a month, and they will draw the extra pay during March 15, the date when the new charter went into effect. The warrants for the extra pay for the last half of March were approved by Acting Mayor Bingham yesterday. This was done on the strength of a written opinion from City Attorney Connelley, who stated that the firemen were undoubtedly entitled to the extra pay from the date when the charter took effect. The city attorney also held that all city officials should be paid according to the provisions of the new charter.

STRIKE SIX-INCH FLOW OF WATER. Omaha Brewing Association Compels Its Arrested Well.

The Artesian well of the Omaha Brewing association at its building on Sherman avenue was completed yesterday. Water was struck Saturday and yesterday the contractors completed the job by striking a six-inch flow at a depth of 650 feet. This is less than half the depth of the well in Riverside Park and the flow is fully as strong. The success in securing water at this depth was somewhat unexpected, but it is important as indicating that water can be secured at about the same depth on the expedition grounds if it should prove desirable.

Prohibits Sale of Cigarettes. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 30.—The anti-cigarette bill introduced by Mr. Hall of Cook county in the house as a special order on second reading. Without debate it was passed without a dissenting vote and with 103 yeas in its favor. The bill prohibits absolutely the manufacture, sale, giving away or advertising of cigarettes and imposes a penalty of a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100, or imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty nor more than sixty days.

United Brethren Bishops Meet. DAYTON, O., April 30.—The bishops of the United Brethren church are in session at the publishing house in this city today, arranging the report to the general conference of the denomination which was held in May 12. Those present are Bishops J. M. Weaver, Dayton; F. B. Kephart, Baltimore, Md.; J. W. Holt, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; N. C. Castle, Elkhart, Ind., and J. S. Mills, Eugene, Ore.

DISPOSING OF POLITICAL SPOILS. Moores and the Council Will Confer on Appointments.

There is a question of whether in certain political circles over an alleged combination in the city council to hold up the appointments of Mayor Moore unless certain concessions are made. It is positively said that no such combination exists at the present time. The council has not discussed the matter, either formally or informally, and no course of action in that regard has been decided on.

It is a fact that some of the present appointive officeholders would like to see such a situation arise in responsible for this report. Both City Attorney Connelley and Building Commissioner Harte have friends in the council who would like to see them appointed. They give as their reason that they do not consider it advisable to change attorneys while several important legal complications are pending. Others, who are personal friends of the building inspector, are using their influence to prevent the appointment of Moore for appointive offices are known. It is likely that he will meet the members of the council before the appointments are announced and that any differences that may develop will be adjusted in a friendly manner.

Gardeners Want Andersen. OMAHA, April 30.—To the Editor of The Bee: In your issue of April 29 we notice that Joe Danham is making an effort to obtain the position of market superintendent, basing his claim to the position on account of his efforts to establish the market place. In justice to ourselves, as market gardeners, we wish to most emphatically deny the foregoing. The market place was brought about through the efforts of the Market Gardeners' association and the perfected condition of the same today is solely the doing of our present market superintendent, C. J. Andersen.

MARKET GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION. PHILIP J. MEMPHRE, President. HENRY CARSTENS, Secretary.

Bright Meteors Around Mercury. GENEVA, N. Y., April 30.—Prof. Brooks, director of the Smith observatory, while taking daylight observations of Mercury yesterday between 3 and 4 o'clock, observed through the large telescope a wonderful sight of daylight meteors. They were intensely white, many of them having the appearance of Vega or some other bright star, when seen through a large telescope in day light. The duration of the meteor was about 1/10 of a second. During the passage of the meteor, which lasted half an hour, over 100 were seen at times two or three meteors passing across the telescopic field together.